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SUBJECT: ALLON'S REMARKS REGARDING HIS MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY

1. UPON HIS RETURN TO ISRAEL MAY 12 FROM HIS MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY IN LONDON, FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON EXPRESSED TO REPORTERS HIS SATISFACTION WITH THE DISCUSSION WHICH HE SAID HAD COVERED ARMS SUPPLIES, THE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE U.S., AND BORDER. HE TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE U.S. IS NOT PROPOSING SIMULTANEOUS RECOGNITION BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE PLO. PRESSED ON THIS POINT IN VIEW OF THE SECRETARY'S STATEMENT IN LONDON THAT THE IDEA HAD BEEN RAISED, HE WOULD GO NO FURTHER THAN TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT SOME LEADERS SUPPORT THE IDEA.

2. IN RESPONSE TO ANOTHER QUESTION, ALLON SAID THAT THE SECRETARY HAD RECONFIRMED TO HIM THAT THE U.S. DOES NOT INTEND TO PROPOSE A MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT, ALTHOUGHT  
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IT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MAKE INFORMAL SUGGESTIONS. ALLON SIAD THAT HE HAD POINTED OUT TO THE SECRETARY THE DANGERS OF AN HONEST BROKER ASSUMING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBMITTING A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL.

3. ALLON ALSO ECPHASIZED THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE U.S. POSITION REGARDING SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL. HE

SAID THE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES REMAINS IN FORCE, IN SPITE OF THE CONCERN TO THE CONTRARY WHICH HAS BEEN CAUSED BY THE SUGGESTION THAT ISRAEL MIGHT HAVE A LESS THAN PREFERRED STATUS FOR ARMS TRANSFER PURPOSES. (THE MEDIA ALSO REPORTED STATEMENTS BY ALLON BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE FROM LONDON THAT THE UNITED STATES WAS NOT EXERTING PRESSURE ON ISRAEL.)

4. ON THE QUESTION OF BORDERS , ALLON SAID HE COULD NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF SOME DEBATE WITH THE U.S. "WHEN THE TIME COMES." HE ARGUED AGAINST DEMILITARIZED ZONES, SAYING THERE HAVE NEVER PROVED EFFECTIVE; THEY ARE NOT BEING EXCLUDED AS ONE OF THE COMPONENTS OF A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT, ALTHOUGH DEFENSIBLE BORDERS REMAIN THE VITAL FACTOR FOR ISRAEL.

5. COMMENT: THERE HAS BEEN NO EDITORIAL OR COMMENTATOR OPINION AS YET REGARDING THE LONDON TALKS, ALTHOUGH SEVERAL PAPERS HAD NOTED BEFORE THE MEETING THAT THE OUTLOOK FOR ANY MEANINGFUL RESULTS WAS SLIM. ALLON WILL REPORT TO THE CABINET ON HIS DISCUSSIONS ON SUNDAY. WE EXPECT THAT HE WILL ATTEMPT TO PRESENT THE MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY IN AS FAVORABLE A LIGHT AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO DAMPEN RECENT PUBLIC COMMENT ABOUT A GROWING RIFT BETWEEN U.S. AND ISRAELI POLICY AND TO CONVINCE THE VOTERS IN TUESDAY'S ELECTION THAT, UNDER ALIGNMENT GUIDANCE, RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. REMAIN IN GOOD SHAPE.

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